May 21, 1971

Re: State Certification

Mr. Fred Bieringer Acushnet Co. Bellville Ave. New Bedford, Mass. 02742

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your recent inquiry concerning the certification from this Division required as a prerequisite to consideration by the Corps of Engineers of the issuance of a permit to discharge required under the Federal Refuse Act of 1899 and the Federal Water Quality Improvement Act of 1970.

You should request from the Corps of Engineers (Attention: Permits Branch), 424 Trapelo Road, Waltham, Massachusetts 02154, copies of the necessary application forms and instructions. One copy of the filled-out form should be sent to this Division, with other pertinent papers as required by the instructions, together with a request for the necessary certification. If the discharge from your concern contains any pollutants or violates any of the water quality standards of the receiving waters but you are on an implementation schedule established by this Division and are complying with said schedule, issuance of an interim permit will be recommended to the Corps. If you have a properly operating pollution abatement facility, approved by this Division, or the discharge from your concern contains no pollutants in contravention of the water quality standards, this Division will normally recommend the issuance of the appropriate 5-year permit.

If you have further questions upon receipt of the necessary forms and instructions from the Corps of Engineers, do not hesitate to contact this office again. In view of the limited time in which you should apply for the necessary permit, I assure you that prompt action will be taken by this Division in responding to any further inquiry.

Very truly yours,

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Thomas C. McMahon

Director

cc: Chief, Permits Branch, Corps of Engineers, 424 Trapelo Road, Waltham, Mass. 02154